

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend paragraph [0340] to read as follows:

[0340] Then, 4×4 lattice area is called a data block or lattice block, a lattice dot LD is arranged at each of four corners of this lattice area (intersections of lattice lines). A spacing between two lattice dots (LDs) is in the range of 0.35 mm to 1.0 mm, preferably around 0.5 mm. Besides, the diameter of a dot is preferably 8 to 10% of the spacing between lattice dots.

Please amend paragraph [0345] to read as follows:

[0345] The data can be, as shown in FIG. 103, defined by how far a dot 605 is shifted from the center point in a lattice area. In FIG. 103, eight points are defined as equally 45 degree shifted from the center, and thereby, eight kinds, or 3 bits data can be expressed in a single lattice block. Further, the distance from the center point is changed to define further eight points. Accordingly, as sixteen points are totally defined, four bit data can be expressed.